

HOUSE RESOLUTION 195
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Brenda K. Monroe-Moses upon her sterling effort and achievement in composing the song "So I'll Just Shine in Tennessee" to celebrate the state's Bicentennial.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the State of Tennessee should pause in their deliberations to recognize the patriotic and artistic accomplishments of our most dedicated and talented citizens; and

WHEREAS, Brenda K. Monroe-Moses of Jackson is most assuredly one such deserving citizen; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Monroe-Moses is the very epitome of the concerned and compassionate citizen, and she has contributed significantly to the greater Jackson community's growth and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Monroe-Moses' numerous endeavors to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens can only be described as selfless, civic-minded and exemplary; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her meritorious public service, Brenda K. Monroe-Moses is renowned as a talented musician and gifted composer; and

WHEREAS, as a patriotic gesture to celebrate Tennessee's Bicentennial, Ms. Monroe-Moses, in collaboration with Mildred Atkins, has composed the song "So I'll Just Shine in Tennessee"; and

WHEREAS, also known as “I’m A Jackson, Tennessee Nugget”, “So I’ll Just Shine in Tennessee” artfully describes the great pride and passion that Tennesseans feel for their home state’s history and heritage; and

WHEREAS, this superbly crafted paeon to the Volunteer State evokes both the confidence and graciousness that is characteristic of Tennesseans, stating in part:

I’m a Jackson, Tennessee Nugget,
Worth my weight in gold:
The kind of wealth you’ll find in me,
Can’t be bought or sold,
It’s perfect, twenty-four karat,
More precious than bouillon,
And it’s yours for the takin’

Tennessee love can be your own! ; and

WHEREAS, the refrain to Ms. Monroe-Moses’ exceptional composition proudly states: “My roots run deep in Jackson, So I’ll just shine in Tennessee”; this simple phrase effectively conveys the extraordinary spirit that has made Tennessee great; and

WHEREAS, because her “roots run deep” in Tennessee, we find it appropriate to honor Brenda K. Monroe-Moses for “shining” so brightly and with such acumen and industry in the Volunteer State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That this House hereby honors and commends Brenda K. Monroe-Moses upon her sterling effort and achievement in composing the song “So I’ll Just Shine in Tennessee” to celebrate our state’s Bicentennial.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we salute Ms. Monroe-Moses for her meritorious public service in the greater Jackson community, and we wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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